103D CONGRESS 1ST SESSION

H. R. 492

To amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to provide for an exception to the history and government knowledge requirement for naturalization.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JANUARY 20, 1993

Mr. Frank of Massachusetts (for himself and Mr. Bilirakis) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

A BILL

To amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to provide for an exception to the history and government knowledge requirement for naturalization.

- 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
- 2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. EXCEPTION TO THE REQUIREMENT AS TO UN-

- 4 DERSTANDING THE HISTORY, PRINCIPLES,
- 5 AND FORM OF GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED
- 6 STATES.
- 7 (a) Amendment to the Immigration and Na-
- 8 TIONALITY ACT.—Section 312(2) of the Immigration and
- 9 Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1423(2)) is amended by insert-
- 10 ing immediately before the period ", except that such re-

- 1 quirement shall not apply to any person who, on the date
- 2 of the filing of an application for naturalization as pro-
- 3 vided in section 334, is over 60 years of age and has been
- 4 living in the United States for periods totaling at least
- 5 20 years subsequent to a lawful admission for permanent
- 6 residence''.
- 7 (b) Effective Date.—The amendment made by
- 8 subsection (a) shall take effect on the date of the enact-
- 9 ment of this Act and shall apply to applications for natu-
- 10 ralization filed before, on, or after such date.

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